

BIBLIOGRAPHICAL NOTICES.

Dr. Jacob Sturm's Deutschlands Flora in Abbildungen nach der Natur mit Beschreibungen. Fortgesetzt von Dr. J. W. STURM. 95 and 96 Heft. Small 12mo. Nürnberg, 1855.

WE have recently received a new fasciculus, containing two numbers (95 and 96) of this excellent collection of plates of the Flowering Plants of Germany, and are sorry to observe the long intervals that elapse between the issues of it. Nos. 91 and 92 are dated in 1846; Nos. 93 and 94 in 1849; and those recently received, in 1855. It is much to be feared that the work does not now receive the support that it deserves.

The plates in these numbers fully support the character formerly acquired by the work. They are amongst the most beautiful and accurate representations which we possess of plants indigenous to Northern Europe. The last four numbers are edited by Dr. J. W. Sturm, who undertook the continuation of it on the death of the celebrated Koch, by whom it had been conducted for some years.

The following is a list of the contents of Nos. 95 and 96:—

Ranunculus pygmæus, <i>Wahl.</i>	Rubus saxatilis, <i>L.</i>
— montanus, var. minutus, <i>Leybold.</i>	Daphne petræa, <i>Leybold.</i>
Rhamnus Frangula, <i>L.</i>	Tilia grandifolia, <i>Ehrh.</i>
Herniaria glabra, <i>L.</i>	— parvifolia, <i>Ehrh.</i>
Convallaria multiflora, <i>L.</i>	Carex ornithopodioides, <i>Hausm.</i>
Ornithogalum umbellatum, <i>L.</i>	Helianthemum vulgare, <i>Gaert.</i>
— nutans, <i>L.</i>	Nymphæa semiaperta, <i>Klinggräff.</i>
Acer campestre, <i>L.</i>	— alba, <i>L.</i>
Adoxa Moschatellina, <i>L.</i>	Corydalis foliacea, <i>Pers.</i>
Scleranthus perennis, <i>L.</i>	Lathyrus hirsutus, <i>L.</i>
— annuus, <i>L.</i>	Pinus sylvestris, <i>L.</i>
	Quercus pedunculata, <i>Ehrh.</i>

Of these, *Daphne petræa* and *Carex ornithopodioides* are new species, published in the Journal called 'Flora,' in 1853, and never before figured. They are both described here by Leybold. The former is allied to *D. Cneorum* and the latter to *C. ornithopoda*. The *Nymphæa semiaperta* was first published by Klinggräff in the 'Flora von Preussen,' in 1848, and is identical with the *N. neglecta* of Hausleutner in Mohl's Bot. Zeit. for 1850. It differs from *N. alba* in several respects, especially in the column upon which the styles are elevated, and the flattened and furrowed inner side of these organs. In so variable a tribe of plants, its claims to specific distinction may admit of doubt. It is fully illustrated on two plates.

The plates of the *Scleranthi* beautifully show the distinctions between two plants which have often been unadvisedly confounded, especially in England.

We may be allowed to express a hope that Dr. Sturm will receive the support that he so well deserves, and may be encouraged to continue the work more rapidly in future.